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Kenſington, Auguſt 13.

AN Humble Addreſs of the High Sheriff, Juſtices of the Peace, and the Grand Jury of the Body of the County of Suffolk, met at the Aſſizes for the ſaid County on the 5th of Auguſt, 1718. has been preſented to His Majeſty by Thomas Betts, Eſq; one of His Majeſty's Juſtices of Peace for the ſaid County, and Fore-Man of the ſaid Grand Jury, introduced by the Right Honourable James Craggs, Eſq; one of His Majeſty's Principal Secretaries of State.

Which Addreſs His Majeſty was pleaſed to receive very graciouſly.

Genoa, Aug. 6. The Burford Man of War, Captain Vanbrugh Commander, arrived here the 30th paſt from Port Mahon, having left the Britiſh Fleet commanded by Sir George Byng under Sail, being bound from thence to Naples; the Captain ſent on Shoar a Packet for the Governour of Milan, which was immediately forwarded by an Expreſs, and the firſt Inſtant this Ship put to Sea again in order to rejoin the Fleet. That Day two French Veſſels came in here laden with Corn: Three Feluccas arrived likewiſe in our Port from Meſſina, one of which had on board the Lady of the Governour of that Place, and her Retinue. They give an Account, that the Garriſon was very well provided with all Neceſſaries, and was reſolved to defend it ſelf to the laſt Extremity.

Madrid, Aug. 8. The Queen of Spain being recovered of a Fever, which had confined her to her Apartment, has gone abroad theſe two Days to take the Air. The 3d Inſtant an Expreſs arrived at the Eſcurial with Letters from Palermo of the 14th of the laſt Month, giving an Account, that the Garriſon of the Caſtle A Mare adjoining to that City, which notwithſtanding its Weakneſs, and the bad Condition of the Fortifications, held out ten Days, ſurrendered that Morning, after the Beſiegers had made two Breaches, both paſſable. The ſaid Garriſon inſiſted upon being allowed to march out with the uſual Marks of Honour, but the Marquis de Lede would allow them no other Terms, than that they ſhould ſurrender at Diſcretion, and become Priſoners of War, which they were obliged to ſubmit to; and Orders were given for tranſporting them, part to Barcelona, and the reſt to Alicant. Theſe Letters add, that a Number of the Country People, incited by the Spaniards, being got together, had attempted to oppoſe Count Maffey the Viceroy's Retreat to Meſſina, having for that Purpoſe poſſeſſed themſelves of a difficult Paſs that lay in his Way, but that he diſappointed them by taking a different Road. The Earl Stanhope is daily expected here from Bayonne, whither a Paſs was ſent him eight Days ago from his Catholick Majeſty. The Council of the Hazienda, or Treaſury, was extraordinarily aſſembled the 5th of this Month, and was made acquainted, that the King has appointed one and twenty Surveyors, and as many Accountants, for the collecting of his Revenues in the ſeveral Provinces of his Dominions, not excepting Navarr, Biſcay, Guipuſcoa and Alava, which will prove a great Mortification to the Inhabitants of the Countries abovenamed, who have hitherto enjoyed the Privilege of raiſing the publick Money within their Limits, by Officers of their own chuſing. Theſe Surveyors and Accountants are ordered to repair to the reſpective Diſtricts allotted them, before the firſt of September, and are ſaid to be charged with very voluminous Inſtructions containing ſeveral Articles calculated for the Improvement of the Revenue. The Reſolutions of the Council of Caſtille, with regard to the Differences between this Court and that of Rome, are not yet made publick. Orders are ſent to the Council of the Indies to take Care, that for the future four Advice-Boats be regularly diſpatched every Year to Peru, one in January, another in March, the third in June, and the fourth in November, to the end we may get better Intelligence than we have hitherto had, of what paſſes in thoſe Parts.

Berne, Aug. 10. This State being informed that the new coined French Crowns are made current in France much above their intrinſick Value, has iſſued out a Proclamation, ſtrictly prohibiting throughout this Canton the receiving of that Coin, on the Penalty of Confiſcation. The Pope's Nuncio at Lucern has had a Conference with the Abbot of St. Gall, to diſſwade him from ratifying the Treaty of Baden: But that Prelate being very deſirous of entring into Poſſeſſion of his Convent and the Territories belonging to it, would not be prevailed upon to break his Promiſe of ratifying the ſaid Treaty, and we have this Day received Advice from Zurich, that his Ratification is actually arrived there,